

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 11, 2005
7:00 pm

Medina City Hall
501 Evergreen Point Road

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Odermat called the April 11, 2005, Medina City Council meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Mary Odermat, Deputy Mayor Todd Nunn
Council members Miles Adam, Drew Blazey, Katie Phelps, Bob Rudolph, and Pete Vall-Spinosa

City Staff Present: Douglas Schulze, City Manager; Wayne Tanaka, City Attorney, Ogden Murphy Wallace; Jeff Chen, Chief of Police; Joseph Gellings, Director of Development Services, Joe Willis, Director of Public Works; and Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant

MOTION RUDOLPH, SECOND NUNN TO APPROVE MEETING AGENDA, MOTION PASSED 7-0, 7:04 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor (7:05 pm)

Odermat announced:

- Thursday, April 21st, 9:30 am, at University of Washington School of Law, Court of Appeals will hear oral arguments for Larkin versus the City of Medina
- Tuesday, April 26th, 7:00 pm, the Medina Police Department will sponsor a community education workshop titled: "Identity Theft"
- Friday, April 29th, 1:00 pm, the mayor will plant a tree in Medina Park to commemorate Arbor Day.

Council

Odermat and Schulze responded to Rudolph's inquiry regarding state streamlined sales tax issue (7:05 pm).

Adam complimented Schulze for emailed city council meeting summaries and requested future summaries continue to note number of speakers and letters submitted for particular subjects (7:09 pm).

Staff

No announcements.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION ADAM, SECOND VALL-SPINOSA TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- Minutes from March 14, 2005 Council Meeting
- Approval of March 2005 Checks/Finance Officer's Report

MOTION PASSED 7-0, 7:10 PM.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

(Non-Agenda Items)

Paul Demitriades, 2254 Evergreen Point Road (7:11 pm)

Resident summarized WRIA 8 (Water Resource Inventory Area 8) Plan updates and its history. Demitriades stressed importance of WRIA 8 plan review due to impacts to property owners and suggested city representatives submit comments pertaining to the plan to the Steering Committee by May 25th.

Lucius Biglow, 2425 Evergreen Point Road (7:17 pm)

Resident distributed memorandum summarizing his visit to Herbert Research to discuss survey.

Judie O'Brien, 7647 NE 14th Street (7:18 pm)

Resident addressed council regarding sloped lots and described her property and its building restrictions. O'Brien indicated she is in planning stage with architect to remodel home, but will be limited due to sloped lot. Resident stressed property values and house resale are affected due to building restrictions. O'Brien suggested creating a code that would address sloped lots and create a neighborhood consistency.

Paul Saad, 7644 NE 8th Street (7:23 pm)

Saad distributed handout to council regarding Green Store and addressed comments regarding the construction mitigation plan (CMP) level. Saad expressed the CMP should be re-reviewed as calculations for excavated dirt would require a level two mitigation plan, and suggested the plans are in non-compliance with Section 4A of code. Resident further conveyed restrictions should be set to limit building use.

Tanaka advised council of code provisions and recommended council withdraw from involvement during current stage in permit process. Tanaka further stated staff is

required to administrate from information provided by applicant and defined hearing examiner appeal process to audience members (7:31 pm).

Schulze indicated he would follow up with Mr. Saad regarding comments addressed.

REPORTS

Police Department (7:37 pm)

Chen summarized crime-related activity in the city, showed a composite-sketch of a current suspect and answered questions regarding department staffing.

Development Services (7:46 pm)

Gellings answered inquires from Adam regarding construction mitigation penalties and stated staff has rejected construction mitigation plan submittals in the past.

Public Works Department (7:50 pm)

Willis announced the Arbor Day celebration will be April 29th, at 1:00 pm, in Medina Park and shelter will be provided in case of rain. Willis answered Vall-Spinosa's inquiry regarding traffic counts. Phelps relayed citizen appreciation for limb clean up after windstorm and Mayor conveyed she received positive feedback regarding refurbished Medina entry signs.

City Manager (7:53 pm)

Schulze confirmed the next Emergency Management Committee meeting will be Wednesday, April 27th at City Hall, at 4:00 pm.

Park Board (7:54 pm)

Connie Gerlitz, Park Board Chair, stated current, unapproved minutes would be previewed by boardmembers and enclosed with council meeting packets to keep council up to date with Park Board progress. Gerlitz announced the Park Board agreed to sponsor a show, produced by a member of the community, featuring Medina's herons. The show will be at St. Thomas Church, Saturday, April 30th, 7:30 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING

Site Plan Review (7:57 pm)

Nunn recused from hearing and discussion.

Gellings summarized Site Plan Review status and the current staff recommendation.

Gellings indicated the Planning Commission would discuss ordinance and staff recommendations during May 3rd meeting prior to continued public hearing, scheduled for City Council's May 9th meeting.

Odermat opened floor to public comment.

Mike Stanley, Cascade Trust, 1503 28th W, Seattle (8:15 pm)

Stanley spoke to unintended consequences emerging from Planning Commission regulations and urged council to thoroughly discuss and think through possible scenarios of site plan review with planning commission to prevent expensive and burdensome requirements of applicants.

Public comment period closed (8:19 pm).

Odermat announced the public hearing on Site Plan Review would be continued to the May 9th City Council meeting.

Nunn rejoined meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Budget Amendments (Canine Unit and 50th Anniversary) (8:20 pm)

Schulze defined budget amendments included in meeting packet.

Mayor opened floor to public comment.

Judy Sidell, 2238 – 79th Ave NE (8:23 pm)

Sidell stressed importance of having a canine unit in the city to protect police officers and residents.

Floor closed to public comment.

Discussion followed.

Council agreed to separate budget amendment into two separate ordinances and requested revised ordinance preparation during break (9:02 pm).

Mayor announced council would recess for ten-minutes to allow for drafting of revised ordinances. Meeting called to order at 9:12 pm.

MOTION ADAM, SECOND VALL-SPINOSA, TO ACCEPT ORDINANCE SETTING ASIDE A TOTAL BUDGET AMENDMENT OF \$25,000 TO COVER COSTS FOR THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, MOTION PASSED 7-0, 9:12 PM.

Discussion continued regarding proposed canine unit.

MOTION NUNN, SECOND PHELPS FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 781, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$103,720 TO COVER EXPENSE OF POLICE CANINE UNIT, MOTION FAILED 4-3*; ADAM, BLAZEY AND VALL-SPINOSA OPPOSED, 9:24 PM.

**Super-majority vote required for passage of budget amendment.*

Council agreed to continue discussion of ordinance during May 9th City Council meeting.

Citizen Survey (9:27 pm)

Schulze stated he and Nunn met with two firms that submitted proposals in response to the city's request for qualifications. He further said that based upon the interview and follow up information submitted to supplement the proposal, PRR, Inc. would be the best firm to conduct the city's citizen survey.

Discussion followed.

MOTION VALL-SPINOSA, SECOND NUNN TO AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PRR, INC., MOTION PASSED 7-0, 9:38 PM

Medina Beach Project (9:38 pm)

Willis summarized previous Medina Beach Park proposal and its contradictions, requirements and safety hazards.

Willis indicated he requested a proposal and project examples from Waterfront Construction for a user-friendlier park. Willis stated the proposal and examples came within budget figures previously authorized.

Willis projected planning and permitting would be completed in time for work to begin in September and completed before winter weather arrives.

Odermat asked Willis to function as project manager, Willis agreed.

MOTION ADAM, SECOND VALL-SPINOSA TO PROCEED WITH REVISED PLAN FOR MEDINA BEACH PARK AS SUBMITTED, MOTION PASSED 7-0, 9:51 PM

Council Agenda Calendar (9:51 pm)

Discussion followed.

Council consensus was reached to adjourn meetings by 10:00 pm, and to require a simple majority vote to extend meeting beyond 10:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION NUNN, SECOND BLAZEY, TO ADJOURN APRIL 11, 2005 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MEDINA CITY COUNCIL, MOTION PASSED WITH ALL IN FAVOR, 10:12 PM.

The April 11, 2005, regular meeting of the Medina City Council adjourned, 10:12 pm.

The City Council Study Session will be held, Monday, April 25, 2005, 7:00 pm.

Mayor Mary Odermat

Attest:

Rachel Baker, Administrative Assistant